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THE PEOPLE'S STORE.

BIG HANDKERCHIEF SALE

86 Dozen Ladies white Swiss embroidered Handkerchiefs 10c each former price 25c.
115 Dozen Ladies white Swiss embroidered Handkerchiefs 15c or 2 for 25c never sold below 20c.
86 Dozen Ladies white Swiss embroidered Handkerchiefs 25c former prices from 39 to 50c.
50 Dozen Ladies white Hemstitched Handkerchiefs with initials 5c each.
60 Dozen white Silk embroidered Handkerchiefs 3 for 25c former prices 15c.
25 Dozen white Silk embroidered Handkerchiefs 15c former price 25c.
25 Dozen same better quality with open work 25c each former prices 39 and 50c.
150 Dozen Ladies Irish embroidered Hemstitched Handkerchiefs 3 for 25c.
100 Dozen Ladies white embroiderd Hemstitched Handkerchiefs colored border 5c each former price 10c.

CHRISTIE & COMPANY.

Christmas Dinner

is near at hand and you will want many good things for the occasion. Lack of space prevents me from enumerating the many good things which I have in stock but call and look my stock over and am sure you will find what you want at

Braman's

Finest Holly, Florida and Jamecia Oranges, especially fine Malaga Grapes, Bananas, choicest Apples, Nuts of all kinds, Home Made Mince Meat and Jellies, Boiled Cider and Cider Jelly, and a large stock of absolutely pure Confectionery.

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MARTIN'S STUDIO,
Eagle st., North Adams, next Baptist Church.

By Telegraph
5.00 O'CLOCK.

IMMENSE FRAUDS.

Frauds of Magnitude that the Mind Cannot Grasp.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP.

Senators Score the Pacific Railroad Which Can Pay First Mortgage Interests and Seeks Help.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Mr. Vest's anticipated speech concerning Secretary Olney's attitude filled the galleries of the senate to overflowing today. The public galleries were packed and the reserved galleries comfortably filled. Considerable disappointment was expressed when the word got about that Mr. Vest would not continue his remarks, cut off by objection yesterday. Chaplain Milburn's prayer referred to the happy prospect of peace beneforwarded between the governments of Great Britian and the United States.

Deficiency Bill Passed.

The urgent deficiency bill was reported and passed with minor amendments. It carries $884,886, the larger part of which is for the continuance of the work of the navy department. Mr. Pettigrew called up the resolution appropriating ten millions to take up the trust notes of the Union Pacific railroad. He said the step was imperative to protect the interests of the government against the schemes of those who held the notes and whose purpose it was to absorb the branch lines.

Mr. Pettigrew was Sharp.

He declared his belief that the Union Pacific is not insolvent, that the floating debt was created for the purpose of complicating and embarrassing government lines. Mr. Gear, chairman of the Pacfic roads committee, asked Mr. Pettigrew if he favored the operation of these roads by the government. Mr. Pettigrew replied "certainly, the government could not possibly manage the Pacific roads worse than they had been managed."

For Government Ownership.

Mr. Pettigrew urged that the government should embrace the opportunity for the experiment of government ownership of the great continental lines. Mr. Platt spoke of the imperative necessity of considering the important question of settlement with the Pacific roads. The indebtedness reaching $115,000,000 was in danger of being lost and no one seemed disturbed.

Frauds Difficult to Grasp.

Mr. Morgan said Mr. Pettigrew's statements were of the most grave character. They meant that certain individuals had made a fraudulent combination to load down the Pacific roads so as to absorb them. It was difficult for any mind to grasp the labyrinth of fraud and rascality that had made the subject a perfect saturnalia of fraud.

To Protect the People.

The subject is so deeply buried in fraud that it came almost beyond the possibility of intelligent consideration. Regarding the pending funding bill, Mr. Morgan said he was opposed but he would insist upon the fullest latitude in the debate when the subject came up. He particularly desired to see the interests of the people of the Pacific coast protected against monopoly and against combination, those two vast influences.

Roads Seeking Pity.

He said "the Union Pacific had enough in its treasury to pay interest on its first mortgage bonds and yet it came to congress as a bankrupt seeking pity. It was not only paying interest on its own bonds but was paying dividends to British bond holders. These roads were pursuing what had become a fixed policy in railway management in the United States running down and wrecking roads so as to manipulate them."

WAR SHIP FOR MANILLA

Ordered There to Protect German and Other Subjects If There be Fighting.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

HONG KONG, Dec. 22.—The warship Irene, Admiral Tirpitz aboard, has sailed for Manilla under orders from Berlin to protect German subjects and the subjects of other powers in the event of severe fighting which is anticipated there.

A WOMAN ASPHYXIATED.

Escaping Gas in the Hampton House, Boston, Results Fatally.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The employes of Hampton house detected the strong odor of gas in the corridor this morning. An investigation showed that it came from a room occupied by Donald Donovan and wife. Entrance to the room was gained by the fire escape. The woman was found dead and the man was unconscious. Gas was escaping from the burner and showed what caused the accident. The man was sent to the hospital. The case was pronounced critical.

CITY CHAMBERLAIN SHORT.

Common Council's Investigation Showed a Large Sum of Money Missing.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

GLOVERSVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Andrew Rogers, chamberlain of the city of Johnstown, is short in his accounts. A discrepancy of $1,800 was discovered when the common council asked for a report. It showed Chamberlain should have $5,000 while he had but a few hundred dollars in the bank. Rogers admits the discrepancy, but says he does not know where the money is gone. His bondsmen yesterday offered to make the amount good.

SUSPENSION BRIDGE BREAKS

Forty People Returning from Church Thrown Into the Creek. Man Killed.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 22.—At Littleton a wire suspension bridge over a creek broke with crowds upon it returning from a church entertainment. Forty people were thrown into the bed of the stream. Wilbert Hammond, 18, was killed. Mrs. Artie Brown and Barry Anderson were dangerously injured. Many were slightly injured. The fact that the creek was low prevented greater loss of life.

APPROVED BANK RUN.

The Illinois Trust Savings Bank Paying Out Funds Quite Rapidly

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 22.—There is quite a little run on the Illinois Trust Savings bank. The depositors are handed the thirty day notices except those who satisfy the officials that the money is desired for legitimate puposes. The run is regarded as a very good thing. It meets the approval of the clearing house committee.

FINANCIAL.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

New York Market.

(Closing Quotations, 3 p. m.)

Received through the office of A. M. Tinker, Room 3, Blackinton block. Executes orders for stocks and bonds, deals upon New York Stock Exchange for cash or on margin. Private telephone 76.

American Cotton Oil	
American sugar	109 1-2
Atchison	13 3-8
American Tobacco	78 1-4
B. & O.	
Canada Southern	46
Central of New Jersey	99 3-8
Chesapeake & Ohio	15
Hocking Valley	
Chicago & Northwestern	102 1-4
C. B. & Q.	70 1-2
Chicago Gas	72 1-2
St. Paul	71 1-2
Rock Island	65 1-2
Chicago, St. P., M. & O.	67 3-4
C. C. C. & St. L.	
Con. Gas	145
Del. & Hud.	117 5-8
Del. & L. W.	
Dis. and C. Feed	12
Gen. Electric	31 1-8
Ill. Cen.	97 1-2
Lake Shore	155
L. & Nash.	87 3-4
Manhattan Elevated	87 1-4
M. L. & T. Com.	
M. K. & T. Pref.	26 3-4
Missouri Pacific	19 1-2
National Lead	
New England	
N. Y. Central	94 1-2
Erie	
Ont. & West.	
N. Y. Sus. & W., common	
" " pref.	
No. Pacific pref	22 1-8
Pacific Mail	23 3-4
Phil & Reading	25
Pullman	
Southern Rail common	9 1-2
" " pref.	29 1-8
Ten. Coal & Iron	21 3-4
Texas Pacific	9
Union Pacific	9
U. S. Rubber	24
U. S. Leather common	8 3-4
" " pref.	59 3-4
Wabash pref.	15 1-8
Western Union	82 3-8
Wheeling & Lake Erie	6 7-8

Chicago Markets.

Wheat—May 69⅝	July,
Corn—May 29⅞	July,
Oats—May 19⅞	
Pork—Jan. 7.60	May 7.90
Lard—Jan. 3.82	May 4.02

Cotton.

	Opened.	Closed.
May	7.05	6.12

LOCAL NEWS.

Sons of Veterans, Attention.

It is of special importance that the regular meeting of Lincoln camp, Sons of Veterans, to be held this evening, should be largely attended. Business will be transacted which makes a large attendance desirable.

GEORGE E. WHIPPLE,
Captain, S. of V.

By Telegraph
4.00 O'CLOCK.

FRENCH SUGGESTION.

England, France and Italy Might Act in Cuban Matters.

WEYLER MASSING FORCES.

Reported that Several Hundreds of Insurgents Have Been Killed. Captain-General in Field Again.

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.—A special dispatch from Paris says it is suggested that Great Britian, France and Italy, the powers most interested, offer their services in the Cuban question and so prevent a conflict between the United States and Spain that the revolt be terminated if possible.

Veterans to Aid Cuba.

From Newark comes the news that Wayne county despatches say Vosburgh Post, G. A. R., last night unanimously adopted the following: "Resolved, that this post, consisting of 100 able bodied men, hereby offers its services to the insurgent's army in Cuba to aid them in securing their independence."

Weyler Off to Command.

Despatches from Havana say that Captain General Weyler left Havana at 2 o'clock this morning aboard the Spanish cruiser Legazpi, bound for Mariel at the north end of the Trocha with the intention of resuming personal command of the operations in that portion of Cuba.

Two Hundred Rebels Killed.

General Solano reports from Santa Clara that Lieutenant Colonel Oliver, commanding the Grenada battalion, had an engagement with the insurgents in that district, killing over 200 of them.

Spanish Forces Massing.

Generals Arolas and Gasco, as well as the rest of the Spanish generals in the Providence of Pinar del Rio, have assembled at Atermisaw, awaiting the arrival of General Weyler in order to commence a new order of campaign. General Weyler will combine the movements of Arolas troops with the forces of the military line, all the troops beginning active movements immediately.

It is understood there will be no cessation of movement until the campaign in that portion of the island is finished. General Arolas, however, will be sent to take command of the military line, extendingfrom Jucaro to Moron province in Pureto Principe.

LOCAL NEWS.

Lecture on Birds.

Miss Mary Hathaway, principal of Veazie street school, gave a very interesting talk on "Birds" Monday evening in the Universalist church parlor to the members of the Young Peoples' Christian union. The talk was an informal affair, different members joining Miss Hathaway in relating their experiences with birds. Miss Hathaway will give several other talks on the same topic during the winter. The next one will occur Monday, January 11, at which time she will read a carefully prepared paper.

A Knowing Beast.

An incident occurred one night this week which showed that horses, though dumb, are not in all cases entirely devoid of understanding. Morris Mack takes the mail from the post office each evening a few minutes before 11.45 o'clock. While he was in the post office the knowing beast started for the depot. Later the horse was found backed up in its accustomed place patiently awaiting the arrival of the midnight train.

Preparing for the Holidays.

The force of clerks at the postoffice will be increased Wednesday by the addition of substitute carriers John Gagnon and James W. Mahar, who will remain in the postoffice until the Christmas rush is over. The postoffice will be opened on Christmas from 7 to 10 o'clock a. m., and from 5 to 7 o'clock p. m. The carriers will make only the morning trip.

Clubs Will Unite.

The members of the Research club have invited the members of the Monday club to be present at their next regular meeting, at which time Professor Frank Goodrich of Williams college will give a talk on "Germany." The meeting will be held at the home of Miss Jeanne Porter of Church street.

The meeting of the school board to consider bids for school furniture, which was to have been held Monday evening, was postponed one week.

A BOLD BURGLARY.

Bowen & Son's Store at Cheshire Entered Early This Morning.

BURGLAR ALARM WORKED WELL.

Adams and North Adams Officers Set to Work. Four Burglars Captured at Zylonite. Positive Proof. Held for Trial.

The store of H. C. Bowen & Sons at Cheshire was burglarized about 1 o'clock this morning. E. B. Bowen, who lives over the store, was awakened by a burglar alarm which he had arranged, and, hastily donning his clothes, went into the store with a shot-gun. He saw no one, but lighting a lamp, saw that the store had been ransacked. The burglars had stepped in the alarm as they were leaving.

Mr. Bowen in a hasty survey of his store saw that the burglars had taken some knives and razors. They entered through a side window which had been pried open.

Later the four burglars were captured through clever work by Captain Hodecker and Officers Brodeur and Hiser of Adams. About 2.50 o'clock Officer Brodeur saw four men going north over the Park street crossing on the railroad. Two of them had bundles. There was no particular reason to suspect the fellows of anything wrong, but he mentioned the matter to the captain.

Shortly afterwards Captain Hodecker answered a telephone call and was told of the Cheshire burglary by Mr. Bowen. He thought at once of the quartet Officer Brodeur had seen and, hiring a team, drove to the Morey crossing near Hoosac Valley park with Patrolmen Brodeur and Hiser.

Mr. Bowen had notified the police of this city also and Captain Parrow sent three men to watch for the miscreants. The Adams and North Adams police met near this crossing and the parties separated, each going along the track on the lookout. The burglars could not be found, however.

When near the tube works Captain Hodecker took his men into a barn on the east side of the track, which was recently built by D. B. Cook. The barn is filled with hay, and when the officers stepped in Captain Hodecker's foot was set squarely on a man. There was some tossing of hay and scuffling for a short time, but when it was over the three officers had the four burglars secure.

They were the same fellows whom Officer Brodeur had seen, and it was certain they were the offenders because the goods which Mr. Bowen lost were in their possession. His cost and price marks were on the articles. One of the burglars had an American bull-dog revolver of thirty-two calibre. They were placed in the police station at Adams. This morning they gave their names as follows: James Cooper, 21, Boston; Harry Ashton, 22, Lynn; John Hanick, 24, Worcester; Peter Howard, 20, Lynn.

The goods which Messrs. Bowen lost were as follows: Fifteen razors, valued at $15; six dozen pocket knives, $20; four chains, $16; scarf pin and plated jewelry, $25; overcoat, $20; toothbrush, 35 cents; and several pairs of sleeve buttons.

The overcoat was the personal property of E. B. Bowen. A postal card which Mr. Bowen received Monday from his sister, was found this morning by Chief Curran in the pocket of the overcoat taken from one of the prisoners, proving conclusively that the coat was Mr. Bowen's.

The burglars came before Special Justice Harrington in the Adams court at 10 o'clock this morning. They pleaded not guilty, but were convicted and held in bonds of $1000 each to appear before the grand jury in January. They were taken to jail

Captain Hodecker did his work splendidly and is deserving of much praise.

LICENSE COMMISSIONERS ACT.

Saloon Keepers Charged with Violating the Provisions of their License.

The board of license commissioners gave a hearing Monday evening at the city hall in the case of O'Brien & Fitzgerald, saloon-keepers on State street, who were accused of violating the provisions of their license by selling liquor to minors. George Dunn and Alexander Phileau, each 19, testified to buying liquor in the saloon. Mr. Fitzgerald was present and said he had no recollection of selling to the young men. M. E. Couch appeared for the commonwealth and Chief Kendall was present in the interest of the prosecution also. The commissioners reserved their decision. They will meet this evening to furthur weigh the matter, although no more evidence will be taken, and judgment will probably be rendered tonight.

Two Kinds of Freaks.

NORTH ADAMS, Dec. 22, 1896.

EDITOR TRANSCRIPT:—I think you will agree with me in the opinion that there is a vast difference between the writing backwards of the boy of six years of age, in his attempt to follow his teacher's copy and the attempt of a man who intentionally writes backwards for the mere purpose of accomplishining the not very difficult, but unnatural, feat.

I think one may be properly termed a "freak of nature" and the other as properly a freak of imitation, or sham freak. I believe most men can write backwards as well as the enclosed sample may show, after five minutes' practice.

Yours sincerely,
NOM DE PLUME.

If you want nice Printing, come to this Office for it.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Annual Report Will be Submitted in January. Large Appropriations Expected.

The regular meeting of the board of public works was held Monday afternoon and the entire session was taken up in the preparation of the annual report. Contrary to expectation, the report will have to be submitted before January 1, a month earlier than had been arranged for by the board.

Just how large an appropriation will be suggested for next year's expenses will not be even hinted at by the members in response to questionings, yet it is probable that an amount almost as large as that allowed this year will be called for. The amount of work done this year was about all that was allowed for, yet almost as much more remains to be done another year, as regards the laying of surface and domestic sewer lines.

The laying of a main line for domestic sewerage to extend from the Eagle street bridge along the south bank of the river to the Marshall street bridge will be one of the first pieces of work to be done by the board in the spring.

With the macadamizing of several streets, the building of new walks and the laying of more surface sewer lines in consideration, it is not at all probable that the council will escape a call for a generous appropriation.

THE CO-OPERATIVE BANK.

The Shareholders Met Monday Evening and Amended the By-laws.

A well attended meeting of the shareholders of the Berkshire County Co-operative bank was held Monday evening in the office of the secretary and treasurer, C. W. Ford. The by-laws were amended so that hereafter any member withdrawing before the maturity of his shares will receive 95 per cent. of all profits. This appears to be a very liberal provision in view of the fact that in all but twelve co-operative banks in the state from 10 to 25 per cent of the profits are withheld under similar conditions.

This bank, which was established in 1890, has been very successful and its business is constantly increasing. It now has about 2500 shares in force, and nearly 400 shares of series 13, which closed Monday night, have been sold.

CHRISTMAS AT NOTRE DAME.

The Program Which will be Rendered by the Choir.

Morning Service 10.30.

Entree ..... Lefebure Wely
Chants de Noel (choeur) ..... Webbe
Introit puer natus est ..... Gregorian chant
Kyrie—De la 12 eme Messe ..... Mozart
Gloria } Messe en G ..... Millard
Credo }
Offertoire—Luxuriant ..... Giorza
Sanctus—Messe en G ..... Millard
Agnus Dei—De la 12 eme ..... Mozart
Adeste Fideles ..... Webbe
Sortie (Airs de Noel) .....

Evening Service 4 p. m.

Marche ..... Lemmens
Domine } .....
Dixit } ..... Mercadante
Beatus ..... Steane
Laudate Dominum ..... Gounod
Hymne—Harmonisee par ..... Webbe
Magnificat ..... Lambillotte

BENEDICTION DU SAINT SACRAMENT.

Luxfulgebet ..... Giorza
Alma Redemptoris ..... Lambillotte
Pater Noster ..... Gounod
Tautum Ergo ..... Labelle

AFTER BENEDICTION.

Laudate Dominum as sang in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem .....
Marche ..... Gounod

Soloists are—Mrs. Lord, Misses Bolduc, Gosselin, Robert Demers, sopranos; Misses Lee, Page, Demers, altos; Messrs. Grandchamp, Drolet, Ruel, Desmarais, tenors; Messrs. Pauze, Girard, bassos.

AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

A Christmas Program to be Rendered at 10.30 O'clock.

The annual Christmas services of St. John's parish will take place Christmas day at 7 and 10.30 a. m. Holy communion will be celebrated at both services. Following is the program for the second service:

Program.

Processional Hymn—O, Come All Ye Faithful...
Venite ..... Turle
Psalms ..... Turle
Te Deum (from Service in A) ..... Mants
Jubilate Deo (Arr. from Emmerig) ..... Oliver
Introit Anthem—There Were Shepherds, ...
..... Vincent
Kyrie ..... Elvey
Gloria Tibi ..... Hall
Hymn—Christmas Awake .....
Sermon—Rev. J. C. Tebbetts .....
Offertory Anthem—Shout the Glad Tidings ..
..... Hawley
Sanctus ..... Cooper
Agnus Dei ..... Robinson
Gloria in Excelsis ..... Zienger
Recessional Hymn—Angels from the Realms of Glory .....
Postlude for Organ ..... Barnby

The soloists will be Mrs. Frank Smith, soprano; Mrs. Albert Whitham, alto; John Heywood, Jr., tenor; Edwin Butterworth, bass.

Over a Century Old.

Thomas Jefferson McKinley, perhaps the oldest man in New England, died at his home in Great Barrington Monday morning. The old man had gathered quite a competence for an illiterate colored man, leaving two unincumbered houses and lots and about $600 in cash. He claimed that he was born in 1785. He was a slave till the time of the war, when he entered the Union lines and became attached to the 49th Massachusetts regiment at Port Hudson. He came north in 1863 and had since lived in Great Barrington.

AN ACT OF BRAVERY.

Probably Saved Three Persons from Terrible, if not Fatal Injury.

A POWERFUL MAN HELPLESS.

Holding a Child on Either Arm He Awaited the Ending of an Awful Ride Behind a Runaway Horse.

One of the most exciting spectacles which has occurred on Main street for some time past was witnessed this morning by the crowds of shoppers, and also a daring act of bravery was seen in connection with the incident.

With all the frequent runaways that have become almost daily occurrences on the principal streets of this city, probably none have caused more real terror than the one which happened this morning and which terminated without a fatality through the timely and courageous intervention of George L. Parker, a salesman in C. H. Mather's store, formerly Sperry & Co.

About 10.45 o'clock the attention of the people on Main street, and in the stores, was attracted by the shouts of warning coming from the direction of Monument square and those who looked up the street witnessed a sight which filled the bravest hearts with terror. A large man was sitting on the elevated seat of a truck wagon holding in either arm a small child. The large horse was plunging madly along unmindful of everything and but little hindered by the truck wagon, loaded with furniture, to which it was attached.

Without a check of any kind the powerful animal had run at full speed from opposite Sheriff Frink's residence on East Main street. The man with the children in his arms was as helpless as either of the two and his face was whitened with fear and set with determination.

Men rushed into the street, trying in vain to stop the frightened animal by shouts and a waving of hands. When the corner of Main and State streets was reached the fear-hushed crowd expected to see the runaway end in terrible injury to some one of the three on the team and when the horse turned down State street without mishap a sigh of temporary relief escaped from every lip.

Mr. Parker, in Mather's store, saw the predicament of the man on the wagon and with commendable promptness and bravery rushed to the horse's head, caught a rein, causing the tired animal to turn aside and falter. A collision with a delivery wagon of M. V. N. Braman's resulted in a crushed wheel and caused the runaway to come to a standstill.

The man on the seat climbed down without delay and the expression on his face spoke his thanks more eloquently than chosen words could have done. He gave his name as William Trudeau. He was moving his family effects from East Main street to State street. The team was in charge of Joseph Pogeau, who by the sudden starting of the horse was thrown off near Sheriff Frink's house. The animal is one of the pair which ran away on Main street last week.

SALVATION ARMY CHILDREN.

Christmas Entertainment for Them at the Hall Thursday Evening.

A Chistmas entertainment for the children will be held at Salvation Army hall on Eagle street Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

Program.

Song—We are Sweeping through the Land .....
Congregation.
Prayer .....
Bible reading .....
Capt. M. Andersen.
A Trio—Merry Christmas .....
Children.
Recitation—Santa Claus .....
Uncle John.
Recitation—Pearing .....
Willie Bristley.
Quartet—Hail, Happy Day .....
D. Jones, W. Roe, Miss Cooley, Mrs. Platt.
Dialogue—The Old Story .....
Misses Jennie and Katie Greer, and Mrs. Kent.
Recitation—Hearth Offering .....
Maud Beckwith.
Song—Glory be to God on High .....
Children.
Recitation—Ring the Bells .....
Stella Kent.
Song—Two Little Hands to .....
Harold F[illegible]
Recitation—Babe of Bethlehem .....
Harry Greer.
Duet—Hope and Love .....
Stella Kent and May Platt.
Recitation .....
Frances Delair.
Song and March—Merrily Around the Christmas Tree, and the appearance of Santa Claus.

The price of admission will be 10 cents and those expecting to attend are requested to procure their tickets at once.

Polo Teams Will Play.

Two polo teams, composed of North Adams and Adams players, will meet on the ice at Valley park on Friday morning for the first match game of the season. Richard O'Brien will be the captain of the local team and Wilfred Cann will direct the Adams players.

This Morning's Fire.

The alarm of fire from box 61, corner of River and Veazie streets, at 7.23 o'clock this morning, was rung in for a slight blaze in an unoccupied tenement house owned by C. A. Jones on Hathaway street. The fire was caused by an overheated stove which was being used to dry the new plaster. Loss $100.

For Fine Job Printing come to The TRANSCRIPT Office.

Christmas Creeping Closer

There's quite a furore now about Gift buying. Come on! Keep coming! Early morning shopping is recommended to avoid the afternoon crowd.

Silk Handkerchiefs, hemstitched and initial 25c to 50c.

White Linen Handkerchiefs 15c to 50c.

White linen with colored border 15c to 50c.

Japonette hemstitched 20in 12 1-2c

Silk Armbands in all colors 25c to $1.00.

Worsted and Silk wristers 15c to 50.

Smoking Jackets and Bath Robes plain colors or mixed, trimmed with silk cord $2.50 to $10.

It's a knack we have at Cutting Corner to fill the expectations of the buyers in quality and price.

Don't forget the boys and you surely won't our

Boys' Department

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I know not what record of sin awaits me in the other world; but this I do know, that I never was so mean as to despise a man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.
—John A. Andrew.

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"WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY."
From the Seal of North Adams.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, DEC. 22, 1896.

THE LIGHT OF CHRISTMAS-TIDE.

Did you ever have any one very dear to you say there would be no heaven in the next world to her or him unless you were there? There have been people who have said such things to others, at least we have somewhere read of their doing so, and it has always seemed to us as though to be told that must sort of brace up a man or woman to try his or her level best to get there. And then a person begins to wonder where the place of never ending companionship is and if the journey there is a very hard one. Somehow Christmas-tide brings up such thoughts and wonderings as these; perhaps because some of us believe with absolute faith that He is there and that among some of the many mansions he is preparing are located our own places of reunion and companionship.

Speaking of the many mansions, did you never go out on a starry night and looking up into the sky wonder what all those planets were for, if not for people to live upon? And of course you know that the study and thought of some of the most brilliant minds of the day, especially the younger more modern minds, are devoted to the question of planets being inhabited. Why, only in last Sundays's New York Herald, about as secular and scientific a daily as there is published, was an important article based upon the belief that in Mars are people far more advanced in knowledge than the inhabitants of the earth, and that they are endeavoring to signal us by a scientific system which some of our scientists are endeavoring to solve and respond to.

Down in New York where the author was best known a book written by young John Jacob Astor a short time ago attracted an unusual amount of attention. The book was a combination of science, romance and speculation. Its aim was to demonstrate that immediately upon passing out of this life the inhabitants of the earth entered into other spheres of life located in the planets. It maintained that the future life was one of constant progress and development in planes of different degrees of advancement, these planes being in keeping with the advancement of planet life, or in other words nature's development on the planets. This book is cited as showing the interest that is taken in the subject by many of the brightest younger minds of the day. In this case the author while surrounded by the luxury which millions could command gives himself up to hard, practical scientific study at Harvard to lay before the world this theory that is being rapidly accepted as at least a not unreasonable one.

And so while some of us feel that heaven would not be heaven without some particular person being there with us, there are others of us quite confident that it would be anything but heaven to be mixed up with some others we have to jostle against down here in this circusy old world of ours. But why may not this theory of different spheres correspond with what we know is to be seen in this life though in an imperfect state;—that we move in circles, so that if you are landed in a foreign city of thousands of strangers you very soon fall into a circle of it may be barely a dozen persons out of the thousands, and the chances are that nine times out of ten they are the ones for which you are just suited.

And never mind the theories, the light of Christmas-tide burns ever brighter and brighter and is never failing; and following its lead there need be no doubt as to the joy it will make known at last and no fear as to the journey into the beautiful country beyond. The simpler our trust the more glorious the light. They tell us of simple shepherds watching their flocks at night and that "The glory of the Lord shone round about them." While for the wise men only a star appeared, but they followed it, probably in their scientific way, and at last "They rejoiced with exceeding great joy."

OUR PHYSICIANS AND THE HOSPITAL.

Among the reasons for confidence in the future of the North Adams hospital, in addition to the unsurpassed natural advantages of its location and the broad Christian and humane principles upon which it was established and managed, is the liberal spirit of our local physicians and surgeons who give so much of their valuable time to it without any thought of recompense.

While the business men and others are asked from time to time to assist in the maintenance of the hospital it is well enough to bear in mind the large share of the charitable work that is borne by a single profession comparatively so small in numbers.

The self-sacrifice and the generous, liberal spirit of the physicians and surgeons of North Adams are among the grandest exhibitions of the kind that need be looked for in professional or business life. Think of what it means to give without any recompense whatever so much of their valuable time for the relief of the suffering. Of course some may say they receive recompense through experience and practice obtained, but it must be borne in mind that the great majority of cases at our hospital are of an uninteresting character from a physician's standpoint; cases in which there is little for him to learn but much for him to do.

Should they look at it from a selfish standpoint of course they would see that this giving of their services was taking directly away from their private practice patients that would necessarily fall to their care but for the free service part of the hospital.

North Adams is highly favored in the character of its physicians and surgeons. There are no bigoted old fogies among them. They are bright, alert, up-to-date and progressive men and are in full touch with the best medical and surgical talent of Boston and New York, the benefit of which they can have at any time. They are faithful to their charitable and other duties to a magnificent degree, that places them conspicuous examples of men imbued with the broadest ideas of one of the noblest of professions.

"I am confident," said the Cheerful Idiot, "that the breakfast must have been out late last night."

"Why?" kindly asked the shoe clerk boarder.

"The milk is looking blue; the beefsteak feels tough; the coffee is weak; the jelly is shaky; the hash is all cut up, and about the only thing on the bill of fare that seems to have any sand is the stewed prunes, and even they are rather seedy."

Here Mrs. Hashcroft entered the discussion, which became so warm that the butter assumed a run-down appearance.—Indianapolis Journal.

The first hospital dance was a success. With no opposition the next one should be doubly or trebly so and the fund for the nurses' home will be given a big lift. —Sunday Democrat.

THE EDITOR'S SHEARS.

FOR TODAY.

HOPING.

In the fever and fret of noon
I dream of the crescent moon,
Of twilight and the evening star,
Serene and bright above the bar;
And, dreaming thus, each thorn I press
May wound as deep, but stings the less;
For roses sweet I may not see,
Somewhere, I fancy, bloom for me,
Beyond the fever and the fret
Of noisy moons—and I forget,
Forget the wounds and bind them up
As I had drained nepenthe's cup.
Oh, bliss! that in the moil of strife
The *future* glorifies our life,
And makes the path of duty sweet,
Though we pass through with bleeding feet.

—JORIS VON LINDEN.

CHEERINESS.

Let us stop this worry, dear;
Things are coming right,
Sing your heart a song of cheer;
Give your eyes the light.

Luck is with the bold of heart,
God with those that smile;
We but need to do our part
Yet a little while.

Fortune, but to hide her frown,
When she sees your eye
Dimmed with tears and dropping down
Lightly passed by.

Meet her look with ne'er a fear;
Soon her eyes will light,
Let us stop the worry, dear;
Things are coming right.

—BOSTON POST.

Then welcome each rebuff
That turns earth's smoothness rough;
Each sting that bids nor sit nor stand,
but go.
Be our joys three parts pain;
Strive, and hold cheap the strain;
Learn, nor account the pang;
Dare, never grudge the throe.

—SELECTED.

Oh fear not in a world like this
And thou shalt know ere long,
Know how sublime a thing it is
To suffer and be strong.

—LONGFELLOW.

FOR A DESERVING VETERAN.

Pleasing Concert and Dance at Grand Army Hall Monday Night.

A concert and dance was given Monday evening in Grand Army hall for the benefit of an old soldier who is in need of help, but who is not a member of Sanford post. The concert consisted of vocal and instrumental selections, recitations, etc. During this part of the program Miss Bessie Matthew danced the Highland Fling and one or two other dances in a style that greatly pleased the audience, and Miss Nina Wood also did some fancy dancing in a very skillful and pleasing manner. After the concert dancing was in order till 12 o'clock and was participated in by some thirty-five or forty couples. Browne and Follett furnished the music.

The affair was managed by Mrs. I. S. Browne of the entertainment committee of the Woman's Relief corps and was very creditable and enjoyable in every way. The proceeds, while not large, the price of admission being only 25 cents, will be of much help to the deserving veteran in whose behalf the entertainment was planned and so happily conducted.

ST. JOHN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Annual Celebration Will be Held Tuesday, December 29.

The annual Sunday school exercises of St. John's parish will be held on Tuesday, December 29, in the church proper at 7 o'clock.

The musical selections are compositions of Schilling. Following is the

Program.

Processional—Tell It Once Again.....
Lord's Prayer and Versicles.....
Lesson, St. Luke 11, 1-15.....
Carol—The Crowning Day.....
Creed and collects.....
Carol—The Savior's Star.....
Address.....
Carol—Zion's King Has Come to Reign.....
Distribution of Gifts to the Children from the Tree.....
Collect and Benediction.....
Recessional—The Savior's Natal Day.....

TRAVELLER'S GUIDE.

Fitchburg Railroad.

Corrected Oct. 5, 1896.

Trains Leave North Adams going East—81.37, 15.18, 7.23, 9.53, 11.42 a. m.; 2.22, 14.10, c7.40 p. m.

Going West—7.30, 10.08 a. m.; 12.23, 1.24, 5.03, 18.05 11.46, c2.39, c7.40 p. m.

Trains Arrive from East—10.03 a. m.; 12.10, 1.24, 5.40, 18.05, 11.46, c2.39 p. m.

From West—81.37, 15.18, 7.23, 9.53, 11.42 a. m.; 2.22, 14.10, 7.00 p. m., c2.00 p.m.

r Runs Daily, except Monday.
; Runs Daily, Sundays included.
c Sundays only.

Boston & Albany Railroad.

Trains leave North Adams going south.—5.20, 8.00, 9.35 a. m., 12.15, 3.00, 6.05, 7.00.

Sundays only—9.25, a. m., 1.55, 6.00 p. m.

Trains arrive from south—8.24, 10.24 a. m., 12.35 2.55, 5.50, 8.05, 10.20 p. m.

Sundays only—11.30 a. m., 4.20, 7.50. p. m.

New York Central R. R.

HARLEM DIVISION.

Leave North Adams via B. & A., R. R. for New York city 9.24 a. m.; arrive N. Y. city 11.55 a. m.; leave North Adams 1.54 p. m.; arrive N. Y. city 4.38 p. m.; leave North Adams 5.05 p. m.; arrive N. Y. city 8.42 p. m. Sunday train leaves North Adams 1.05 p. m. arrive N. Y. City 8.30 p. m.

Fast Pittsfield and North Adams special trains leave N. Y. city at 9.06 a. m. and 3.35 p. m. daily except Sundays, arriving in North Adams at 2.55 p. m. and 8.57 p. m. Sunday train leaves N. Y. city at 9.15 a. m. arrives North Adams 4.20. F. J. WOLFE, General Agent, Albany, N. Y.

Roosic Valley Street Railway.

ADAMS LINE.

Leave North Adams—6.15, *6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00 a. m., 12.15, 1.15, 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, 8.15, 8.45, 9.15, 9.45, 10.15, *10.45.

Arrive Adams—5.30, 5.50, *6.30, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00 a. m., 12.15, 1.00, 1.30, 2.00, 2.30, 3.00, 3.30, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.30, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00, 9.30, 10.00, 10.30, *10.60.

WILLIAMSTOWN LINE.

Leave North Adams—5.30, 6.00, 7.00, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10.00, 10.45, 11.30 a. m., 12.15, 1.15, 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, 8.15, 8.45, 9.15, 9.45, 10.15.

Leave Williamstown—6.15, 7.00, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10.00, 10.45, 11.30 a. m., 12.15, 1.00, 1.15, 2.00, 2.30, 3.00, 3.30, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.30, 6.00, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00, 9.30, 10.00, 10.30 11.00.

*To Zylonite only.

On Saturdays and Sundays commencing at 1.45 p. m., cars run on both lines every 20 minutes. 4.45 p. m., workmen, Zylonite to Adams and Zylonite to North Adams.

Cars reach Blackinton twenty minutes after leaving either end of the line.

Stages.

Run Daily, except Sundays.

NORTH ADAMS AND WILLIAMSTOWN.

THOMAS MCMAHON, Proprietor.

Leave Richmond House, North Adams, 8.30 a. m.; 12.35, 2.40, 5 p. m., and, Saturdays, 9.10 p. m.
Leave McMahon's Stable, Williamstown, 8.15 a. m.; 1.45 p. m., and, Saturdays, 9 p. m.

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Leave Post Office, North Adams, 1.30 p. m.
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THIS EVENING'S EVENTS.

Annual meeting of North Adams lodge, A. O. U. W

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—Beginning Wednesday the electric cars on both lines will run every twenty minutes until after Christmas.

—A large number of persons have been to Zylonite the past few days to inspect the "Howland Terrace" building lots which E. R. Orcutt has just placed on the market.

—Quite a number of those interested in the formation of a chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution have received notification that their papers have been accepted.

—The members of Eva Sheldon's junior dancing class held a social in St. Jean Baptiste hall Monday evening. The regular Thursday evening socials of the dancing school will be postponed until after the holidays.

—On New Year's day the Ladies' Missionary society of the Baptist church will serve their annual turkey dinner. These have always been pleasant occasions where people could meet their friends and get a good dinner for 35 cents.

—Olympian Temple, Rathbone sisters, will hold a meeting Wednesday evening to nominate officers and transact other important business. Every member is requested to be present.

M. E. CADY,
M. of R. and C.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Gertrude Hall of East Main street is home for the holidays from Radcliff college.

W. J. McNeill of Eagle street and his daughter, Mary, left today for Albany, N. Y., to visit relatives.

E. J. Shaw will leave the city Wednesday for Wallaceburg, Ont., to spend Christmas, and will return December 30.

Eugene Wallace, who underwent an operation at the hospital for fracture of skull Saturday, is very comfortable and from present indications his recovery is assured.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Torrey Cady of Church street will leave Wednesday for Bridgeport, Conn., where they will be guests at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Dever Warner.

Miss Alice Greer of Holyoke is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

Miss Maud MacDonald of Eagle street left Monday for New York, where she will visit friends, and also at Newark, N. J.

Miss Anabel Darrow, who for some weeks past has been visiting in New York, will return to her home on Elm street this week.

W. S. Underwood has returned to his business after a few days' illness.

Harry Miller of Church street returned Monday to his home for the holidays from the Friends school at Providence, R. I.

John Archer of Detroit, Mich., is spending a few weeks with his parents at Blackinton.

M. E. Couch Has for Sale.

After the collection of a claim, several first class new ladies and gents' gold watches. They are very suitable for Christmas presents and he will sell them below cost at half the price charged by any dealer. They may be seen at his office, North Adams Savings Bank building, at any time.

AT ST. FRANCIS' CHURCH.

Program of Services to be Held on Christmas Day.

The services at St. Francis' church on Christmas day will be masses at 5. a. m., when Rosewig's mass will be given at 8 and 9 a. m., high mass at 10.30 o'clock, when Mozart's seventh mass will be rendered, and vespers at 7.30 p. m. The music at the evening service will be Fisk's vespers in C. The program also includes Novello's "Adeste Fideles," Stearns' "Magnificat," "Alma Redemptoris." Gounod's "O Salutaris" will be rendered by a male quartet composed of Messrs. C. Hyland, F. Boseley, J. Fallon and Dr. McGrath, and Russi's "Tantum Ergo" will be sung by Miss Mary Condon and Dr. McGrath. The soloists are Misses Nellie and Mary Condon, Vena Duso, Kate Patterson, sopranos; Mrs. P. J. Malone, Misses Mamie Condon and Josephine Kelly, altos; Charles E. Hyland and F. Boseley, tenors; Dr. McGrath, John Fallon and P. H. Smith, bassos.

Smoke and Water Sale.

E. A. Stroud is conducting a smoke and water sale at his store on Ashland street, as will be seen by his advertisement in another column. All sorts of goods kept in a general store are advertised at prices far below the usual cost and people in search of bargains are already heading for Ashland street.

Bitten on the Head.

Mary, the four-year-old daughter of John Stetson of Union street, was playing with a neighbor's dog Sunday when the animal suddenly turned upon her and bit her on the head. Quite a scalp wound was caused, which was dressed by Dr. O. J. Brown.

Called to Pittsfield.

Medical Examiner O. J. Brown was called to Pittsfield Monday, in the absence of Medical Examiner Paddock of that city, to view the remains of Alton R. Pierce of Pittsfield, who was drowned in Silver lake. The young man broke through the ice while skating.

District Court.

Thomas Connors, drunkenness, defaulted.

George Boughton, Jr., continued case for drunkenness, filed away.

AMUSEMENTS.

The Cinamatograph.

The most novel entertainment now before the public will be offered to the people of this city at the Columbia three evenings this week, beginning Thursday. This is the cinamatograph, that most wonderful invention by which pictures are thrown upon a canvas as with a stereopticon, with the added charm of motion absolutely true to life. There is no use in trying to describe the effects to those who have not witnessed an exhibition of this kind, and to those who have, no recommendation is necessary. To see upon the canvas a crowded street with the people all in motion, fancy dances, people at work, etc., is indeed wonderful and exceedingly interesting. This great attraction comes in connection with the 20th Century Vandeville Star company, which gives a first-class Vandeville performance interspersed with the wonderful moving views. The attraction is as meritotious as it is unusual and it will be strange if the house is not crowded every evening. Matinees will be given Christmas and Saturday afternoon.

GREAT EXCITEMENT.

Men, Women, and Children who Have Been Disease-Afflicted Cured.

EVERYONE INVITED.

To lay the Cause of Their Trouble before the Physician who Represents the Kickapoo Indian Medicine Co and

GET HIS ADVICE,

His Treatment, Have him write for you prescriptions and Have him Give You Sufficient Medicine to Prove It Is What you Need to Make you Permanently Well, all Absolutely Free. Only a Short Time More Will This

GREAT DOCTOR BE IN OUR MIDST.

J. F. Campbell, M. D., who presents the Kickapoo Indian Medicine Co., has been with us in this city for over two weeks. He will not be able to remain here much longer. We therefore wish to urge everyone who is suffering, no matter from what cause, to call on him without further delay and thus obtain the benefit of the advice which he will give you and the cure which he will exercise in your especial case to effect a cure. Remember Dr. Campbell will be found at his office, No. 5 Eagle street, from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. daily, where he will examine you, give you treatment where it is necessary, advise you and prescribe for you and furnish you with a sufficient amount of medicine such as you may need to convince you it is what is necessary to effect a cure in your case, and all this absolutely free. Also you should remember that the medicines which he prescribes and gives you are in every instance the famous Kickapoo Indian Remedies, which are tremendously powerful and sure in the manner in which they accomplish their work; but above all they are harmless, as they contain no poisonous ingredients of any description.

In this connection we would like to give a few of the wonderful cures that have recently been performed by the use of this famous medicine, of well known people in this state. Miss Mary A. Fitzgerald of Morton Center, Mass., writes as follows: "I cannot express myself sufficiently strong in speaking of your Kickapoo Indian Sagwa and the good it has done me. I first heard of this medicine when I was at school, and at that time in a very bad condition. Was weak, felt tired all the time and greatly depressed. After taking one bottle I felt a change. After one or two bottles I was completely cured, and the world looks brighter. Am thankful for the day the Kickapoo Indian Agent came to this town."

Luther Shaw of West Cummington, Mass., writes as follows: "For years I have suffered with a kidney trouble from which I never expected to be any better. Commenced taking Kickapoo Indian Sagwa, and also used Kickapoo Indian Oil. In only four days could see a change for the better and now, ten days after beginning on your wonderful remedy, life seems worth living, as I feel better than I have for ten years past and can lie down either on my left or right side, which I have not been able to do for years, without pain. Truly no one can exaggerate my admiration for the Kickapoo Indian Remedies."

We might continue in this strain indefinitely, as thousands of people not only in this city but everywhere throughout our broad land sing the praise of these wonderful medicines. Kickapoo Indian Sagwa especially, that great blood purifier, positively cures all derangements resulting from a disordered condition of the liver, the kidneys, the stomach or the blood. The other remedies are as well known and are in every way as efficient for the purposes for which they are intended. No one can afford to miss this opportunity of gaining relief and having restored to them health when it can be attained without cost, simply by calling on Dr. Campbell, who represents the Kickapoo Indian Medicine Co. any day during the remainder of his stay in town, at his office No. 5 Eagle street, from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. Also bear in mind that all Kickapoo Indian Remedies are sold by all druggists everywhere.

TOWN TALK.

An elegant line of table carvers for Christman presents at DARBY'S 49 Eagle street.

Christmas Dinner.

Landlord Savage has decided to serve a Christmas dinner at the Idlewild on the same plan as the one served Thanksgiving day. Further particulars are not necessary for those who know the excellence of Mr. Savage's table. Teams will meet passengers at the Williamstown end of the street railroad.

Chafing dishes and 5 o'clock tea kettles on standards are very popular, look at our display. DARBY'S Hardware Store.

Have you seen our Christmas tree, north window. DARBY'S Hardware Store, 49 Eagle street.

If you need the services of an experienced gardner, write Jeremiah Barry, North Adams, and he will call at your house or office. Trees, vines, shrubbbery and roses cared for. Now is the time to have pruning attended to.

FOR SALE.

Horses—A carload of Western horses just received. Matched teams, farm, draft and single horses can be seen at my farm on the Adams road. W. A. Ballou. 1 76 12tx

First class, dry hardwood and kindlings. Mission Lodging House, 9 Marshall street. f 173 6t

125 Choice fowls. Mrs. C. E. Sherman Greylock. f 169 tf

Christmas trees and evergreen delivered at any part of the city. A. N. Potterton, 197 Main st. f 168 12tx

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DICKINSON, JEWELER AND ART DEALER NORTH ADAMS

The recognized headquarters for

Diamonds Watches Novelties, etc, at Reasonable Prices.

TOO LATE

is the despairing cry of many who, through neglect have arrived at that stage where they are without hope. Take for instance a "simple cold, as we term it. "Let it alone" we say "it will be all right in a day or two." A day or two finds the "simple cold has become a troublesome cough which in turn rapidly develops into a case of pneumonia or consumption. If

DR. STAFFORD'S COUGH CURE,

had been resorted to in the first stages of the complaint, all would have been well and even in those so-called "Too Late" cases it has been the means of restoring many to health. A cold however should NEVER be neglected and when a simple remedy like the above is within the reach of all it becomes the duty of everyone never to be without it.

SOLD EVERYWHERE.

GEO. A. SIMARD & CO.

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SITUATIONS WANTED.

Work to do by the day or family washing to take home. Address Mrs. Chas Thayer, 13 Winter st. s 178

An experienced seamstress desires engagements for plain and fancy sewing for ladies or children in private homes. Address K. R. Transcript. s 170 tf

A Swedish girl, 14 years old wants a situation to take care of a child and help do light work. 42 Brooklyn st. s 170

HELP WANTED.

By a capable young woman as waitress or to do general house work. Address Mrs. O'Brien 39 Bracewell Ave. h 178

A thoroughly competent housework girl at 3 East Quincy st. h 177

Experienced women stitchers on singer machines run by steam power. F. J. Barber, & Co., 19 Chestnut st.

A housekeeper for small private family. Address Box Z, transcript.

Two ladies agents for city and Adams for article of real merrit. Send address M. box 185 Williamstown Mass. h 172 tf

At once, a girl to do general housework in a small family. One who can cook. Apply at 28 Holbrook st. h 172

LOST.

On December 5, a diamond pin on Main or Holden street. Reward will be paid for return to Transcript office. f 170 3tx

FOUND.

A bunch of keys corner of Chestnut and Ashland streets. Owner can have the same by calling at the Transcript office. f 170

WANTED.

Table boarders at 80 Eagle St. w 171 12t

STILL THEY COME!!!

MORE WATCHES SOLD THAN EVER BEFORE

....Prices Tell at

HIGLEY WATCHMAKER AND OPTICIAN

A New Line of Shell Goods.

Have you seen them?

Xmas Sale.

Choice and elegant Leather Goods; Traveling Bags for ladies and gentlemen, Music Rolls in the most fashionable styles and artistic designs.
Offered at very low prices for the Holiday season by the manufacturers,

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19 Chestnut street, opposite Rice & McMillan's box factory.

100 Per Cent

When you buy goods this week you want Full Value and we are offering it sure, in the way of the most desirable goods to be found—serviceable and ornamental—and no one can find fault with our prices. Do not fail to visit **The Crockery Store.** -:- -:- -:-

C. H. Mather

Boucle Cloakings.

We have a limited stock left of the BOUCLE CLOAKINGS that have been so popular this Fall. They are too good for our wholesale trade and we give the Ladies of this section the advantage of their sale at retail. Also quite a large line of Remnants, Sample Ends, Trouserings, and Suitings in Wool and Worsted, New Cheviots, etc. A new line of All-Wool Dress Goods soon coming out, also too good for our Commission Trade. Call at our new Warehouse adjoining our office in Blackinton. Open on Saturdays. Trolley Cars pass the door often.

Blackinton Co.

Blackinton, Mass.

Office Of School Committee.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office on or before Mon. Dec. 28, at 4 o'clock P. M. for furnishing School furniture for Braytonville and other Schools according to specifications to be had at this office. A. S. CHURCH, Secy.

20th CENTURY RATTAN CHAIRS

Just right for a Christmas Present.

Burdett & Rawlinson.

BAD WEATHER

Sudden changes from warm to cold and cold to warmer, cold rains and forgetting umbrellas, rubbers, overcoats, etc., are now frequent happenings beyond the control of most people. **Result, "They Catch Cold."**

ASHMAN'S SURE COUGH CURE

Will cure that Cough or Cold, and when we say **will cure, we mean it.** If it dont, **Your Money Back.** Hundreds of bottles sold last winter and not one returned. Try it and you'll use no other. **PRICE 25 Cents.**

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Useful gifts for presents are appreciated. You could not give a better one than is to be had in this list.

UMBRELLAS in close rollers and natural wood handles.
CANES, a large assortment in plain and silver mountings.
SMOKING JACKETS in a variety of materials and colors.
BATH ROBES in Turkish and Lambswool.
DRESS SUIT CASES in Alligator, Russet and Cream Colors.
SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, Japanese and Pongee.
LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS from the finest Irish linen.
SILK MUFFLERS in a variety of colors and quality.
NECK SCARFS, flowing ends, four-in-hands, tecks and puffs.
SUSPENDERS in webb and silk.
GLOVES, walking and driving.
FULL DRESS SHIELDS, silk and quilted satin.
CUFF BUTTONS, gold, silver and enameled.
SCARF PINS in novel designs.

Besides collars and cuffs, shirts, night robes, pajamas and everything pertaining to gentlemen's wear. The reputation of the house is a guarantee that these goods are from the best manufacturers and latest in design.

The G. O. D. Store

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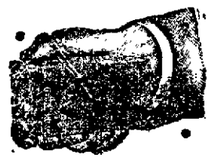

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SUBURBAN NEWS.

Happenings of Interest in Our Neighbor Towns.

AT ADAMS TODAY.

Notes Concerning Company M.--Thistle Quoit Club Elects Officers--A New Real Estate and Fire Insurance Firm--The Christmas Trade--Other Local Items of Interest.

With the Militiamen.

Company M held its weekly drill in Armory hall Monday evening and had a business meeting afterwards. The committee appointed a week ago to determine the advisability of holding a banquet reported little progress and it was given another week to complete its work.

The teams to contest in the shoot Friday have not been selected yet nor have the handicaps been given to the individual marksmen who will compete for prizes. The shoot will commence at an early hour Christmas morning.

The company has received the state trophy given to the best rifle company in the regiment, on account of its team winning this year. It is a beautiful German domestic scene in colors and framed in oak. Almost the entire decoration of one wall is done with prize pictures.

A New Insurance Firm.

Cassidy & Curran is the name of a new real estate and insurance firm which will open an office in Dr. Thomas Riley's block on Park street January 1. The firm comprises Lawyer Thomas F. Cassidy and Michael J. Curran, both of whom are well known throughout town. They will represent leading fire and accident insurance companies and will handle local real estate.

The Holiday Trade.

Local merchants state that their Christmas trade this year is far better than it was a year ago. There seems to be more money and less dread on the part of the people to part with it. The trade is steady. All the merchants have prettily trimmed show windows. There is a greater attempt at display this time than there has ever been before.

Quoit Club's Officers.

The Renfrew Thistle Quoit club has elected these new officers for the ensuing year: President, Alexander Smith; vice-president, James McBride; recording secretary, David Cardiff; financial secretary, Samuel Hiser; treasurer, Henry Schroder; trustee for three years, Henry Schroder.

W. B. and C. T. Plunkett make their annual book distribution in the Congregational Sabbath school Sunday.

Greylock lodge, N. E. O. P., will elect officers Saturday evening.

The late Mrs. Lois Cole will be buried from her home on Temple street at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Rev. H. B. Foskett will officiate.

The Thursday afternoon and House Reading clubs will not meet this week.

Division 3, A. O. H., will elect officers for the ensuing year next Sunday.

The young men who propose to organize a debating society named after the great orator will complete organization Saturday evening.

Robert Lowe's continued case for alleged disturbance was dismissed by Special Justice Henry L. Harrington this morning. Thomas F. Cassidy appeared for Lowe.

Frank A. Richmond of Cornell University at Ithaca, N. Y., is at home for the holidays.

George A. Mole is at home from Cornell.

W. C. Plunkett camp, Sons of Veterans, held its weekly meeting in Grand Army hall Monday evening.

Tonight's meeting of the Christian Endeavor society at the Congregational parish house will be led by Miss Emma Richmond. The topic is: "Joys that were born into the world with Christ."

CHESHIRE.

Miss Sylvia Hathaway is visiting in Savoy.

Silas Ostrander has gone to Saugerties, N. Y., for a couple of weeks.

The Baptist cottage prayer meeting will meet with Mrs. E. G. Brown Friday evening.

The Traveling club will meet Saturday evening with Miss Tillie Reynolds.

The Lucky Six club will meet with Sadie Tyrrell this week.

Christmas tree exercises and an entertainment by the children will be held at the Methodist church Thursday evening. The program includes choruses, songs and recitations.

Mrs. E. B. Bowen is expected home from Kansas City, Mo., this week.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

Supper and Dance.

There will be a supper and dance at Riverside hotel, Williamstown Station, on New Year's Eve, December 31. Tickets will be $1.00, and Mrs. Emogene Reed, the new proprietor of the hotel, promises all who come a good time. Mrs. Reed has largely refurnished the hotel and is making it an entirely new place in all respects, and one where guests will be entertained without any possible offence to any. The Riverside hotel should have a jolly crowd present New Year's Eve.

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Miss Natalie Smith is spending the holiday vacation at Somerville.

Lawyer John B. Archer is home from Detroit, Mich., and will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Archer.

A Catholic choir was organized here Monday evening with Professor LeClair of North Adams as leader and instructor.

Professor Mears of Williams college will deliver the second lecture of the Blackinton course in School hall Wednesday evening on "Charcoal and the Diamond."

Services will be held in Temperance hall on Christmas morning at 9 o'clock by Rev. J. J. Fallon.

POWNAL.

Carl J. Ladd is the happy father of a ten pound boy.

The M. E. church will have a tree Christmas eve and the Baptist church will have one Christmas night.

Fred Maxon is severely ill with pneumonia.

NEW YORK'S FINANCES.

Annual Report of State Comptroller James A. Roberts.

Albany, Dec. 22.—The financial condition of the state treasury is a source of great satisfaction to state comptroller James A. Roberts. He finds on balancing his books for fiscal year September 30, 1896, that there is a balance in the state treasury of $4,930,046. This completes the third year of Comptroller Roberts' term and it is the first year since he has served as comptroller that he has not been compelled to borrow money to pay the expenses of the state government from October 1 to the following February each year, when the taxes under the annual levy pour into the state treasury. Last year he borrowed $3,500,000 and the year before $1,800,000. The ample surplus in the treasury at present will enable the comptroller to carry the state government along without borrowing a dollar until the $11,751,837 which is to be raised under the annual tax levy provided for by the last legislature, is received by the state treasurer in the spring. The balance in the state treasury on October 1, 1896, exceeded the balance in the treasury on October 1, 1895, by $3,518,961.

PHILADELPHIA BANK ALL RIGHT.

The Independence National Not Affected by the Chicago Failure.

Philadelphia, Dec. 22.—The Independence National bank of this city, which was the Philadelphia correspondent of the National Bank of Illinois of Chicago, will not be affected by the failure of the latter institution. Theodore Wiedersheim, treasurer of the Independence bank, states that his bank is merely the holder of a portion of the western banks' eastern funds. Mr. Weidersheim further says that advices he had received from Chicago are to the effect that every obligation of the embarrassed bank will be paid dollar for dollar, and that the failure has been caused by a futile endeavor to realize on securities in hand.

English Comment on Canovas.

London, Dec. 22.—Commenting upon the declaration of Senor Canovas, the Spanish premier, that he will broach no interference with the sovereignty of Spain in Cuba, the Pall Mall Gazette says that Senor Canovas is magnificent in his defiance, but his utterance is not business like. If he wishes to avail himself of the few months' grace remaining to him, the Gazette says, he must change his resolutely immobile attitude for resolute action.

Moscow Students Sentenced.

London, Dec. 22.—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Mail reports that as an outcome of the recent political agitation in Moscow, one student has been sentenced to death and others to twelve years' imprisonment. The agitation came to a head in efforts to hold meetings commemorative of the Khodinsky Plain disaster during the coronation of the czar, which were prohibited by the police.

New England Society Banquet.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Secretary Herbert will attend the banquet of the New England society to-night. At the same time Assistant Secretary Meadoo, accompanied by commander B. H. Buckingham will address the Brooklyn naval reserve and attend the launch of the gunboat Annapolis at Elizabethport to-morrow.

The Laurada Returns to Sicily.

Messina, Dec. 22.—The former Cuban filibustering steamship Laurada, which sailed from Palermo a few days ago for Gibraltar, where it was said she would ship a cargo for America, has returned to this port.

National Bank Condition.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The comptroller of the currency has issued a call on national banks to show their condition at the close of business on December 17.

Duties on Wool.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Mr. Danford, rep., O., has introduced in the house a bill prepared by the National Wool Growers' association providing for duties on wool. A duty of twelve cents per pound is asked for wool of the first class, eight cents per pound for wool of the second class and other wool according to its grade.

Dinner to Gov.-elect Black.

Albany, Dec. 22.—Governor Morton will give a dinner to the state officers at the executive mansion on the evening of December 29, in order to allow them to meet Governor-elect Black. The governor will also give a dinner to the members on the governor's staff at the Fort Orange club on the evening of December 31.

Appointed by Gov. Morton.

Albany, Dec, 22.—Governor Morton has appointed George J. Yaeckel as county clerk of Onondaga county to fill a vacancy caused by the death of the regularly elected county clerk. Mr. Yaeckel is the present deputy county clerk.

No Pardon for McKane.

Albany, Dec. 22.—Gov. Morton has refused to extend clemency to John Y. McKane. A delegation of McKane's friends called upon the governor yesterday, and this decision of the executive was announced by him.

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And said guardian is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week for three sucessive weeks, in the North Adams Daily Transcript, a newspaper published in North Adams, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said court.

Witness, Edward T. Slocum, Esquire, Judge of said Court this twenty-first day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six. FRED R. SHAW, Register.

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Because the material used is better than any ever put into houses of this class, and the construction was by DAYS-WORK under the superintendence of Orman Hicks, which insures the most honest workmanship on them.
Because they are all supplied with City Water, are connected with the Sewer, wired for Electric Lights, have other modern conveniences, because the Lots are very large (66x148 1-2 ft), and face a street sixty-six feet in width that has been accepted and will be put into good condition by the city;

AND BECAUSE They will be offered at Prices which people who have watched the construction of these houses are amazed at. The house on the corner of Franklin street will be sold for $3000, and each of the others for **$2750.** **75 per cent of the Purchase Money may remain on Mortgage at Five per cent.**

A full description would be tiresome, and would fail to convey an adequate idea of their superiority.

LET ME SHOW THEM TO YOU

HARVEY A. GALLUP, **Boland Block, Main Street.**

WEATHER FORECAST.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

Washington Forecast for Massachusetts:

DEC. 22.

Increasing cloudiness and light local snows. Not so cold.

POST OFFICE SERVICE

NORTH ADAMS MAILS.

Boston, East, and Northern New England.

Arrive 8.50 a. m., 12.15—6.00—8.00—8.40—11.45 p. m. Closes 6.00—9.35—11.35 a. m., 2.40—3.50—5.45—7.45—11.00 p. m.

New York City, South and West

Arrive 9.37—8.26—9.37—11.44 a. m., 12.05—4.10—7.10—8.[illegible] p. m. Closes 7.15—9.15—11.35 a. m., 2.40—4.[illegible]—7.[illegible]—11.00 p. m.

Canada.

Arrive [illegible].35 a. m., 12.15—4.10—8.00 p. m. Closed 12.00 m., 7.15—11 p. m.

Pittsfield.

Arrive [illegible].30 a. m., 12.10—2.25—5.50—8.45 p. m. Closes [illegible]—11.50 a. m., 2.[illegible]0—5.15 p. m.

Readsboro and Southern Vermont.

Arrive 12.15—8.00 p. m. Closed 9.35 a. m. Hartwell to and Stamford, Vt., Readsboro and Southern Vermont by stage: Arrive 12.00 m. Closed 1.[illegible] p. m.

Sunday Mails.

Sunday delivery 9 to 10 a. m. All mails close at [illegible] p. m.

Money Order and Register Department

Open daily (except Sundays) from 8 a. m. to [illegible] p. m.

General Delivery and Stamp Windows

Open from 7 a. m. to 8 p. m.

Carriers' Window Service.

From 7 to 8.30 p. m.

Table Boarders Wanted

At HOSFORD'S New Dining Rooms, 59 Main St. up stairs. $3.50 per week. Meals at all hours.

QUICK LUNCH

Downstairs.

THE ADAMS NATIONAL BANK.

Of North Adams, Mass.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Adams National Bank will be held at their Banking house in North Adams on

Tuesday, the 12th day of January

next, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the following purposes, to wit:

1st. To choose Directors for the ensuing year.
2nd. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

E. S. WILKINSON, Cashier.

North Adams, Mass., Dec. 10, 1896.

LOCAL NEWS.

BAPTIST PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

How Christmas Will be Celebrated. Supper, Program and Presents.

The primary department of the Baptist Sunday school will hold their annual Christmas exercises on Thursday from 3 to 5.30 p. m. At 3 o'clock supper will be served in the dining rooms of the church, after which the program of exercises will be carried out in the chapel under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Darby, Miss Lydia Pierce and Miss Irene Cummings. Following is the

Program.

Singing—Merry Merry Christmas.....
Recitation—A Merry Christmas.....
Milly Kennedy.
Recitation—Birthday of Christ.....
Pearl Nichols, Lucy Templeton, Sarah Bell.
Recitation—A Mother's Song.....
Helen Plumb.
Singing—Jesus was Once a Little Child.....
Hazel Nichols.
Recitation—The Christmas Shout of Joy.....
Rhoda May Kennedy.
Recitation—Christmas.....
Master Clarence Bliss.
Recitation—Teach Us to Love.....
Susie Temple.
Singing.....
Geraldine Wright.
Recitation—In the Orphan House.....
Ina Bell Ingraham.
Recitation.....
Julia Scott.
Recitation.....
Edward Gurney.
Singing—Rock-a-bye Baby.....
Susie Temple, Clara Cormier, Kate King, Gustina King, Ida Chesbro, Helen Plumb.
Recitation—Why Are We Like Christmas.....
Harry Herbet George Craver, Horace Cuddeback, Brayton Witherell, Raymond Merrill, Willie Plumb, Grace Temple, Frances Eldredge, Horace Eldredge, Grace Ludden.
Recitation—Hear the Bells.....
Edith Harrington, Ida Chesbro, Goldie Chesbro, Florence Harrington, Laura Marshall, May Haslam.
Singing—Ring the Bells.....
Recitation—Waiting for Santa Claus.....
Paul Eldridge.
Dialogue—The Brownies.....
Queen, May Hinkelbein.
Maids of Honor, Bessie Marshall, Edna Hinkelbein, Eva King, Ruth Bartlett.
Brownies, Charlie Mayden, Will Cowan, Will Loud, Foster Rice, Norman Bryant, Schuyler Goodrich, Edward Gurney, Howard Graham, Chelsea Newman, George Craver.
Distribution of presents.....
Singing—Our Christmas Treat is Over.....

Has Held Its Last Meeting.

The Young Ladies' Missionary society of the Congegational church was disbanded at the regular meeting Friday. The reason ascribed for this is that the Christian Endeavor society is doing what was intended for the Missionary society when it was organized several years ago. Nearly all members of the disbanded society belong to other young people's societies in the church and consequently the loss of the society will not be felt in the church work.

DEPOSITORS HOPEFUL

Efforts To Relieve Chicago's Big Closed Bank.

ASSOCIATED BANKS OFFER AID

Condition of the Related Institutions That Are Affected—Astounding Recklessness in Making Loans.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—The closing of an institution which was considered the strongest national bank in Chicago, quickly followed by the failure of three private banking houses which did business with it, caused a flurry of excitement in financial circles and led to runs on several banks by timid depositors. A flood of rumors relative to other banks and business firms added to the intense nervousness which pervaded all classes of people long after business hours and the close of the courts. The banks which were closed follow: National Bank of Illinois, capital $1,000,000; liabilities, $11,000,000. E. S. Dreyer & Co., bankers, mortgage brokers and real estate dealers, liabilities, $1,500,000; estimated value of assets, $1,250,000. Wasmansdorf & Heineman, bankers and mortgage brokers, liabilities, $416,000; estimated value of assets, $850,000. Roseland Savings bank, Roseland, Ill., small capital, and assets estimated equal to liabilities. All the private banks which closed their doors cleared through the National Bank of Illinois, and the big crash compelled their suspension to conserve their assets and protect creditors. The two private city banks went into liquidation through receivership proceedings in the courts. Reassuring action was taken at a largely attended meeting of the clearing house association, which was held after banking hours yesterday afternoon. The following resolution, offered by ex-comptroller of the currency, E. S. Lacey, president of the Bankers National bank, was unanimously adopted: "That the clearing house committee, after calling to their aid such other persons as they may desire, be requested to formulate a plan which will enable creditors of the National Bank of Illinois to avail themselves of the offer of the associated banks to make advances by way of loans to said creditors to the extent of 75 per cent. upon properly proven claims." The chairman of the clearing house committee stated that the readiness of bankers to do this was so evident that it was not probable any formal organization to accomplish the object set forth in the resolution would be necessary although the committee appointed will give prompt attention to the duty imposed on them. William F. Dummer, president of the association and vice-president of the Northwestern National bank, read the following telegram which he had received from Comptroller of the Currency Eckels, dated Washington: "I have appointed Bank Examiner McKeen temporary receiver of the National Bank of Illinois and I instructed him to publish notice to creditors to prove claims. He informs me that the clearing house committee will advance 75 per cent. on evidence of claims. Notice will be published at once, and if claims are proven immediately I shall within thirty days be able to pay a very considerable dividend. I appreciate the action of the clearing house in offering to advance on such certificates."

Cause of the Trouble.

The decision of the clearing house committee to refuse clearing privileges to the National Bank of Illinois, and also to refuse funds by which the bank could have gone into voluntary liquidation was chiefly due to the astounding discovery that the bank had loaned $2,400,000 to the Calumet Electric Street Railway company on its bonds as sole security. This loan exceeded the bank's capital and surplus. Another account, which caused the bankers to hesitate, was stated to be near $500,000, the debtor being E. S. Dreyer & Co. Robert Berger, the only partner of Mr. Dreyer, is a son-in-law of George Schneider, president of the failed national bank. There was two other big loans which were considered poor collateral. The necessary sequel to this refusal to lend aid or to continue clearing privileges was that the big national bank on Dearborn street failed to open its doors yesterday for public business. This was anticipated by the action of the clearing house committee, but there was a small knot of anxious depositors waiting on the marble steps of the entrance when the big iron screen in front of the doors was rolled up to admit several clerks. Later a card was hung on the grill work reading as follows: "This bank is in the hands of a national bank examiner. By order of the comptroller of the currency." This cheerless announcement for depositors was quickly followed by the posting of notices that certain private banks and business firms would clear through other banks, or pay checks which had been given Saturday on the suspended institution.

Promise To Pay All in Full.

It is reported that the National Bank of Illinois has on hand about 45 per cent. of its deposits of $11,000,000, and their is general confidence that depositors will be paid in full in a short time. The officers and stockholders of the bank unite in saying so. The failure was a great surprise to the public. There was no suspicion on the part of the large depositors that the bank's capital and assets had been seriously impaired. The heaviest creditors are the municipal corporations. City Treasurer Wolf has $650,000 of city funds on deposit there. The bank was one of the five which are depositories for city funds, and each of the banks take turns by the month in cashing city checks. It was the failed bank's turn to pay out in January. Mr. Wolf said he had no serious concern about the safety of the money and has received ample assurance from the other city banks which hold city money that the corporation will not be embarrassed. County treasurer D. H. Kochberger has $300,000 of county funds tied up in the national bank, and Fred M. Blount, the newly appointed treasurer of the drainage board, had over $80,000 of district funds at the bank, whose officers were on his bond. The bank officials were also on the bonds of the city and county and West park board treasurers. The fact that the bank officers were bondsmen of these public officials was a strong reason for the decision of the other banks to force immediate closing of the bank before funds were deposited.

Passed a Wreck at Sea.

Philadelphia, Dec. 22.—The steamer South Portland, here from Aquin, reports she passed on December 15 a wreck bottom up. One hundred and twenty-five feet of the keel was above the water and the centre board projected ten feet. The South Portland also passed a quantity of matched boards, pine deals and a scantling not long in the water.

Silver Dollars and Fractional Coin.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The issue of standard silver dollars from the mints and treasury offices for the week ended Dec. 19 was $769,724, and for the corresponding period last year was $895,828. The shipment of fractional silver coin from Dec. 1 to 19 aggregated $726,399.

Seven Killed by an Explosion.

Naples, Dec. 22.—An explosion occurred yesterday in a confectionery manufactory at Casino, in the province of Caserta, killing seven persons.

HOOSAC SAVINGS BANK

Deposits begin to draw interest Dec. 1, March 1, June 1, Sept 1.

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SPECIAL HOLIDAY ATTRACTIONS

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Umbrellas. We have the choicest line of handles made. Look at our stock of fine Towels.
Our Apron counter is full of good things at popular prices.
Silk covered Down Pillows.
Pattern Table Cloths with napkins to match.
CLOSING OUT SALE of Cloaks. All our Winter Cloaks must be sold. We are offering them at Bargain Prices.

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It is only a suggestion, but make useful Christmas Gifts.

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Razors, Pocket Knives, and Shears are a few of the other Christmas Gifts which are found at our store.

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Back Gammon Boards
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